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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, George Street, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C., BATES, HENDY & Co., Old Jewry, E.C., SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 160 & 1/4, Leadenhall Street, PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSTY, 18, Rue Monsieur, Paris. NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 183, Nassau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney. W. P. NICHOLSON, Agent, Manager. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco. SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINSEN & Co., Manila. CHINA.—SWANSON, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICOLLS & Co., Foochow, HEDGES & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 660,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman—H. J. HOPE, Esq. Deputy Chairman—F. D. SABOON, Esq. E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. WILHELM KELNERS, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. D. T. T. KELLY, Esq. H. W. KESWICK, Esq. A. MOLIVE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER, HONGKONG, T. J. JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER, SHANGHAI, E. W. CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—For 6 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " " 4 per cent. " " " " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

Entertainment.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

THE FIRST CONCERT of the Season will take place on MONDAY, the 7th JANUARY, 1878, the Proceeds of which will be devoted to the FUND for Relieving the FAMINE in the NORTH of CHINA. Hongkong, December 18, 1877.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

TO SHIP BUILDERS AND OTHERS.

WANTED, a NEW STEAM LAUNCH, of the following Dimensions, Speed, &c.

LENGTH, from 80 to 90 feet.

BREADTH, from 12 to 14 feet.

DRAFT, with Coal and Stores complete, not to exceed 6 feet.

SPEED, 8 to 9 knots, on a consumption of not exceeding 1/4 tons per 24 hours.

The Launch to be fitted with Cabins, Mats, Sails, Ground Tackle, Boats, and all Gear ready for sea.

Tenders, accompanied with FULL PARTICULARS, will be received by the Under-signed until Noon on the 24th Instant, for the Sale or Building of the above Vessel.

B. DOUGLAS, H. B. M.'s Resident, Bangalore, Care of J. E. SOUTER, Esq., Telegraph Office, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 20, 1877.

Intimations.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be Closed on TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, the 25th and 26th Inst., and TUESDAY, the 1st January, 1878.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," C. MORLAND KERR, Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," W. P. NICHOLSON, Agent, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," R. I. HARPER, Manager.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd," C. E. THOMSON, Agent, Manager.

Hongkong, December 21, 1877.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A THIRD and FINAL BONUS of Five per cent. upon Contributions for the year 1876, will be payable on MONDAY, the 31st Instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society, on and after the 29th instant.

By Order of the Board,

E. MOORE, Agent, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 21, 1877.

Auctions.

NIGHT AUCTION!!!

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, THIS EVENING, the 22nd December, 1877, at 8.30 p.m., at their Auction Sales Rooms, Pedder's Wharf, —

A Large and Handsome Selection of FANCY GOODS, comprising: Gilt and Crystal Ornaments, Night Clocks, Flower Stands and Vases, Bonbon Boxes, Jewel Caskets, Inkstands, Albums, Flower Pots, Dressing Cases, Pictures, &c., &c.

A Large Assortment of TOYS, consisting of: Mechanical Toys in great variety and novel designs, Dolls, Tin Toys, Animals, Wood Toys, &c., &c., &c.

The following PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of INLAND Lot No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on Section 4 of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 88 feet, and on the West side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$73.01, together with the Messuages or Tenements standing thereon, at present leased by D. RUTTUNEE, Esq.

Second.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poole-kum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM Lot No. 26, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 224 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$53.40.

All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poole-kum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM Lot No. 30, abutting on the South side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29, on the East side thereof on the road to Aberdeen, and on the North and West sides thereof on a Water Course, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 34 acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$12, together with a quantity of Building Materials at present contained in and about the houses described as "Belmont" upon the aforesaid Lots.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

A Choice Selection of Japanese Cloth for Shirts, Standard Rose Bushes, English and Japanese Lilles, English Flowering Plants, &c., &c., will also be Sold.

On view from 12 o'clock on Wednesday, the 26th.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, October 31, 1877.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

INVITE ATTENTION TO THEIR DISPLAY OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND DELICACIES.

DRESSING CASES.

WORK BOXES.

SCARF BOOKS.

PRESERATION INKSTANDS.

PIN TOILET SETS.

STATUETTES.

Handsomely Bound GIFT BOOKS.

FRENCH DOLLS.

PUZZLES.

THE NEWEST COSAQUE ORIENTAL COSTUMES.

LE BAL MASQUE.

ELIXIR OF LOVE.

FANCY BOXES

CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS.

MINCE MEAT.

ELVAS PLUMS.

CRYSTALLISED FRUITS.

BLOOM MUSCATELS.

FRENCH JAMS.

A FEW CASES OF THE CHOICEST SCOTCH WHISKY.

SCACCONE'S PURE SHERRIES, at Low Prices.

PURE PORT LIQUEURS.

CHOICE OLD RYE WHISKY.

Hongkong, December 8, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LAND AND HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale), on

MONDAY,

the 31st December, 1877, at Noon, at their Sale Room, Praya Central, —

The following PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of INLAND Lot No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on Section 4 of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 88 feet, and on the West side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$73.01, together with the Messuages or Tenements standing thereon, at present leased by D. RUTTUNEE, Esq.

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TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed or Deeds of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser.

The Property to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars, apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, October 31, 1877.

NOTICE.

A MILLAR & Co.,

PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS,

Queen's Road East,

HONGKONG.

September 15, 1877.

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, made to order by HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY CO. Special Agents, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1877.

FOR SALE.

VERY FINE and Full AUSTRALIAN OATS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 17, 1877.

XMAS!!! XMAS!!! XMAS!!!

THE HONGKONG STEAM BAKERY

has for Sale Ready-made CHRISTMAS CAKES of all sizes, and PASTRY of

every description.

DORABJEE NOWROOZEE,

Intimations.

W. BALL,
CHINA DISPENSARY.IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET
REQUISITES, PATENT MEDIC-
CINES AND PERFUMES.Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,
and Prompt Attention.PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf,
Hongkong, July 13, 1877.AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;

and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA,
Wymondham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CIRCE,HAS on hand the Largest and Best
collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of
assorted sizes. Ex S. S. *Tyre*, Revolving
Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms
and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather,
Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and
Frames, nice Albums for Cabinet Portraits
only. Portraits of the Generals of the present
Bosso-Turkish War, Eminent British
Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassador,
in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes
Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

AH YON,
SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND
STEVEDORE,
No. 57, Praya West.SHIPMENT SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF
COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH
PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S
STORESOf the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877.THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th to the
31st instant, both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,
OLYPHANT & CO.,
General Agents.Hongkong, December 12, 1877. *jal*HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COM-
PANY, LIMITED.THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company
will be CLOSED from the 14th to the
25th instant, both days inclusive.A. NEWTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, December 1, 1877. *de28*IN THE GOODS OF
JAMES SMITH FERRIES,
Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES, late Master of the S. S. "ZELANDIA," who died at Sea on the said Vessel, on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted to JOHN FAIRBAIRN, of No. 27 Queen's Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BRETON, the Solicitor of the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY BRETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong, or before the 15th day of January, 1878.

And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said JAMES SMITH FERRIES amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has had notice; and that the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets in any part thereof, so distributed, to any person of whose Claim the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 1877.

WM. H. BRETON,
Solicitor for the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN.
*jal*K WONG HING CHEUNG & CO.,
COAL MERCHANTS.Have always on hand for Sale every
description of COAL at Moderate Prices.Mr. AYTHON has been appointed Manager,
and all Orders addressed to him at 57,
Praya, or to Mr. FATT JACK, at 30, Hing
Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-
tion.Hongkong, March 19, 1877. *mc19*OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY,
IN LIQUIDATION.A SECOND RETURN OF CAPITAL AT
the Rate of FIVE TAELS per
SHARE will be made to Shareholders of
record on the 1st October, Payable at the
Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst.Warrants will be delivered by the Under-
signed to Shareholders or their lawful
representatives on presentation of Share
Certificates for Endorsement.The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th
instant, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & CO.,
Liquidators,
Shanghai, October 2, 1877. *de27*

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of
the HONGKONG HOTEL, the pre-
sent Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st
August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to
be sent in on or before the 31st March,
1878, to the Secretary of the HONGKONG
HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply
any information required.

By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.Hongkong, September 15, 1877. *ap1*

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he has
RETURNED, and is now ready to
receive Patients.

Hongkong, November 22, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY
was admitted a PARTNER in our
Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAKIE & CO.

Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself
at this Port as a GENERAL COM-
MISSION AGENT.Art. 1. Merchandise shipped to the ports
of Peru must be accompanied by Invoices
(in Spanish) certified to by the Peruvian
Consul at the port of shipment in accordance
with Art. 188 of the Consular Regulations.Art. 2. Merchandise when shipped via
one or more foreign ports for a port in Peru
must be accompanied by a special manifest
(in Spanish) in addition to the Invoice
certified to by the Peruvian Consul in accordance
with Art. 197 of Consular Regulations.Art. 3. Merchandise for which no certi-
fied invoice is presented, as required by
Articles 188 and 197 of the Consular Regu-
lations, and Art. 1 of this decree, will be
subject to a surcharge of 25 per cent of the
duty upon it as determined by the tariff.
Merchandise entitled to enter free of duty
will be taxed 25 per cent on its total value.Art. 4. The Master of any vessel who en-
ters a port of Peru without the documents
of his vessel being duly certified to by the
Consul for the Republic at the port from
whence he cleared, in conformity with
Articles 187 and 201 of the Consular Regu-
lations, will be liable to a fine of from
\$100 to \$1000 according to the importance
of the case, and the judgment of the Com-
missioners of Customs, without prejudice
to the spirit of Article 28 of the Code of
Commerce.

CHAS. C. COHEN.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877. *jal*

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day admitted Mr. WILLIAM
LEGGE as a PARTNER in my Business,
which will henceforth be conducted under
the Style of COHEN & HEATON.

W. KERFOOT HUGHES.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877. *jal*

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES AYTON MANN is auth-
orized to sign our Firm by Procuration.

GEPP & CO.

Canton, November 1, 1877. *jal*

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
GAELIC, from San Francisco, &c.,
are hereby required to send in their Bills
of Lading for counter-signature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods.Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer
will be landed and stored at Consignee's
risk and expense.G. B. EMORY,
Agent.Hongkong, December 20, 1877. *de28*

NOTICE.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glengyle having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby in-
formed that their Goods are being landed
at their risk and stored in the Godowns of
the Wharf or Boat delivery may be obtained.Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai,
unless notice to the contrary is given
before 11 a.m. To-day.Cargo remaining undelivered after the
24th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents, S. S. Glengyle.Hongkong, December 17, 1877. *de24*

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills
of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Ex Djemnah.

W. G. S. No. 1/7 Mr. G. W. Scott, 7 cases

W. B. No. 1/7 Wine, from Mar-

H. M. S. Lapwing, 1 case Effects, from

Formosa.

Ex Iraouad Y.

K. J. (in diamond) No. 87, Order, 1 case

J. P. (underneath) Woollen, from London.

N. B. Order, 50 bags Stones } From

G. O. " 100 " " Madras.

Hongkong, December 31, 1877.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 70.

CHINA SEA.

YANGTZE RIVER—SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Temporary Withdrawal of the "Tungsha"
Light-ship.NOTICE is hereby given that on or
about the 1st JANUARY next, the
"Tungsha" Light-ship will be REMOVED
from her Station for REPAIRS. As soon
as Repaired she will return to her old
moorings. Temporary Light-ship.IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In re GEORGE GRAHAM, a Bankrupt.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEET-
ING of the CREDITORS of the saidGEORGE GRAHAM will be held pursuant
to the 15th Section of the Bankruptcy
Ordinance, in the Supreme Court House, on

THURSDAY the 3rd day of January, 1878,

at 11 o'clock in the forenoon before the

The Hon. CHARLES BUSH PLUNKET,

Registrar of the Supreme Court, the Officer
appointed by the Court sitting in Bank-
ruptcy.

Proofs of Debts will be received and

Creditors who have not proved, or who
shall not then prove, will be excluded from
the benefit of any Dividend that may be
declared, and all Claims not proved will be
disallowed.By Order of the Inspector General of
Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,

Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineer's Office,

Shanghai, December 16, 1877. *de29*

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself
at this Port, under the Style or Firm,
WEST POINT IRON WORKS,
ENGINEERS AND BOILERMAKERS,
BYWILLIAM DUNPHY & CO.,
Late Manager of the Novelty Iron Works,
Hongkong.

W. M. DUNPHY.

Hongkong, December 10, 1877. *de10*

NOTICE.

M. R. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY
was admitted a PARTNER in our
Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAKIE & CO.

Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself
at this Port as a GENERAL COM-
MISSION AGENT.

J. V. VERNON SHAW.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877. *my1*

NOTICE.

THE Business of SHARE and GENE-
RAL BROKER, hitherto conducted
in my name, will now be carried on under
the Style of COHEN & HEATON, Mr
ALEXANDER MacGLASHAN HEATON
having this Day become a PARTNER
thereto.

CHAS. C. COHEN.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877. *jal*

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Intimations.

HAYWARD TYLER & CO.

The oldest House in the Trade.

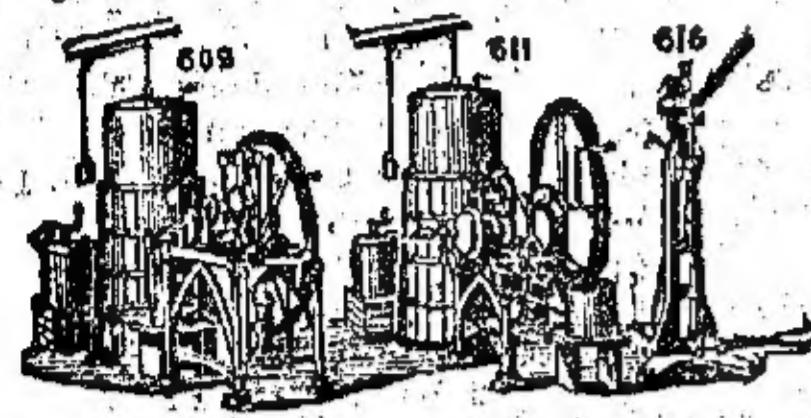
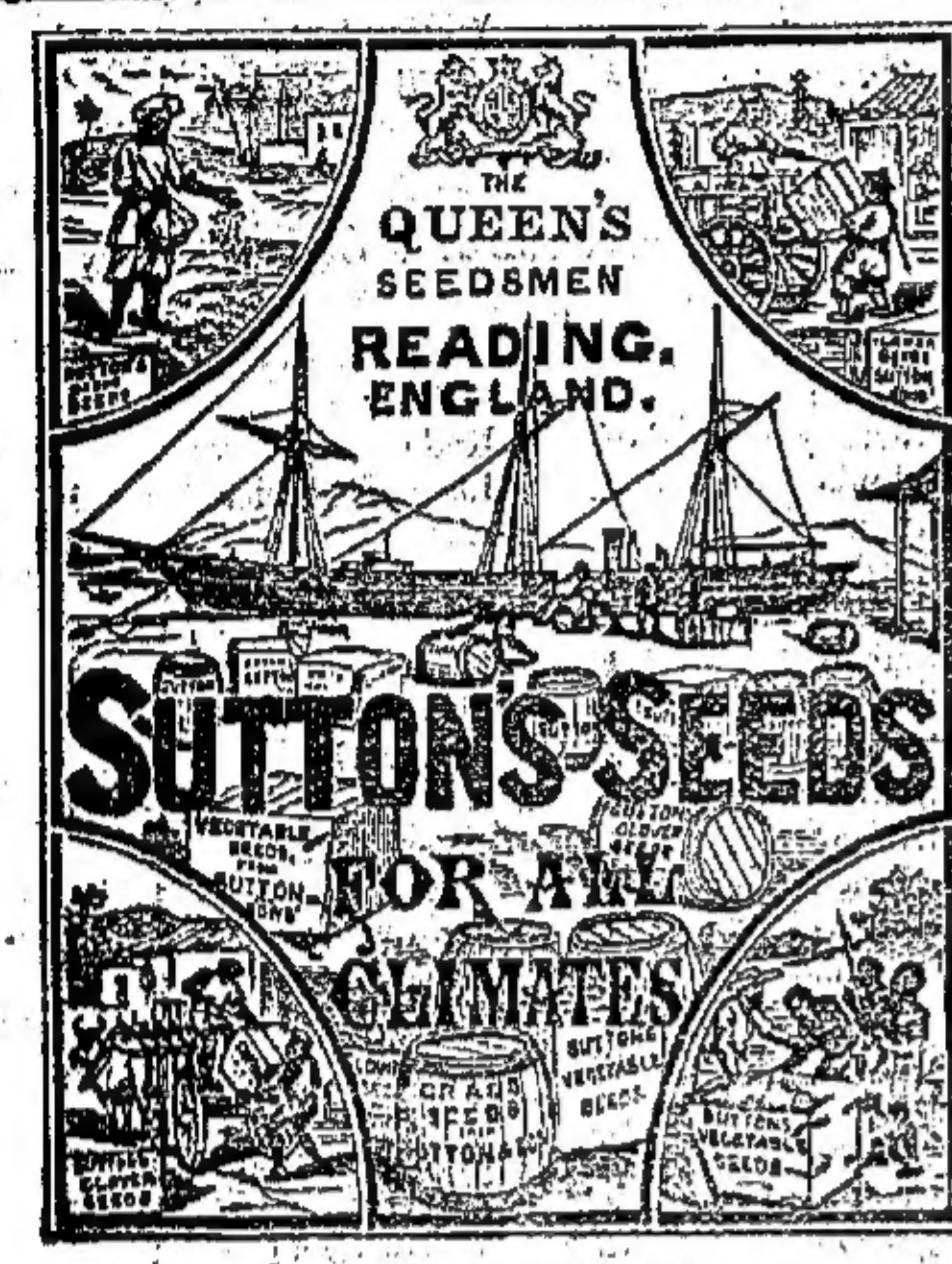
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OVER 2,000

OF THEIR PATENT

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Complete Plants carefully packed,
FOR EXPORT.SODA WATER MACHINERY.
84 & 85, Whitecross Street, London.SUTTON'S IMPROVED SYSTEM
Which ensures their arrival in dry
and fresh condition.Complete Catalogues may be had at the
Offices of this Paper, or fromSUTTON & SONS, THE QUEEN'S SEEDSMEN,
Reading, near London, England.N.B.—Remittances or their equivalent must
accompany every order.

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HIGHEST AWARD & PRIZE MEDAL PHILADELPHIA
EXHIBITION, 1876.

OAKEY'S WELLINGTON KNIFE POLISH

PREPARED EXPRESSLY FOR THE PATENT
FRICTION & POLISHING KNIFE & BUFF
CLEANING MACHINES, &c. &c. &c.KNIFE BOARDS. KNIVES CONSTANTLY
CLEANED WITH IT HAVE A BRILLIANT POLISH
PACKETS 5D. EACH; AND TINS,
6D., 12D., 25D. AND 41. EACH.

OAKEY'S INDIA RUBBER KNIFE BOARDS

PREVENT FRICTION IN CLEANING AND INJURY TO
THE KNIFE. OAKEY'S WELLINGTON KNIFE POLISH
SHOULD BE USED WITH HIS BOARDS.

OAKEY'S SILVERSMITHS SOAP

(NON-MERCURIAL).
FOR CLEANING AND POLISHING SILVER, ELECTRO-
PLATE, PLATE GLASS, &c. TABLETS 5D. EACH.

OAKEY'S WELLINGTON BLACK LEAD

IN SOLID BLOCKS—1D., 2D. & 4D. EACH, & 1D. BOXES.

JOHN OAKEY & SONS
MANUFACTURERS OF
BLACK LEAD
CABINET GLASS, PAPER
WESTMINSTER BRIDGE ROAD, LONDON, ENGLAND.

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The Greatest Wonder of Modern
Times!

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.

Persons suffering from weak or debilitated constitutions will discover that by

the use of this wonderful medicine there is

"Health for all."

The blood is the fountain of life, and its purity can be maintained by the use of these Pills.

Sir Samuel Baker, in his work entitled

"The Nile Tributaries in Abyssinia," says,

"I ordered the dragoon, Mahomet, to

inform the Takey that I was a Doctor, and

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GENUINE.CAUTION.—Vice-Chancellor Sir W. P. Wood stated that Dr. Collis Browne was undoubtedly the Inventor of Chlorodyne, that the story of the Defendant, Freeman, being the Inventor was deliberately untrue; which he regretted had been sworn to. Eminence Hospital Physicians of London stated that Dr. J. Collis Browne was the discoverer of Chlorodyne; that they pre-
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POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised Nov. 9th, 1877.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packages of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

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Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, the United States, Brazil, India (including Ceylon, the Straits, and Aden), Japan, Egypt, Labuan, Mauritius, Seychelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Bermuda, with all French, Danish, Netherlands, Portuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are: the Australasian Group, British North America, Africa (except French, &c., Colonies), and Central America.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—
Letters, 12 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
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Exceptional rates, to the United Kingdom and Union Countries served through the United Kingdom via Brindisi only:—
Letters, 10 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 4 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 6 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

W. Africa, Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verd Islands:—
Via San Francisco, or Manila, or Brindisi.

Letters, 22 26
Registration, 12 12
Newspapers, 4 6
Books & Patterns, 8 10

Aspinwall, Panama:—

Letters, 18 34 38
Registration, None. None. None.
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 6 8 10

Canada, Vancouver, Prince Edward's Island, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia:—

Letters, 12* 16 20
Registration, 8 12 12
Newspapers, 2* 4 6
Books & Patterns, 4* 6 8

Circulares, &c., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, may also be sent by book post.

Bahamas, Hayti:—
Letters, 14 34 38
Registration, None. None. None.
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 6 8 10

Bolivia, Chili, Ecuador, and Peru:—

Letters, 30 46 50
Newspapers, 6 6 8
Books & Patterns, 14 10 12
Registration, 12 None. None.

Hawaiian Kingdom:—

Letters, 16 16 20
Registration, None. None. None.
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 8 6 8

W. Indies (except as above), Costa Rica, Guatemala, Monte Video, &c., New Granada, and Venezuela:—
Letters, 26 34 38
Newspapers, 6 4 6
Books & Patterns, 14 8 10
Registration, 12 None. None.
Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji (n.a.), Natal, Cape, St. Helena, Ascension:—
Letters, by Contract Packet 24; by Private Ship 12, Registration, 12; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery.
† Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE.			
Letters.	Registration.	Newspapers.	Books & Patterns.
Within any Town or Settlement, or between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction.	2	8	2
Between any other two of the following places (through a British Office) viz.—Hongkong, Macao, Ports of China and Japan, Bangkok, Sago, and the Philippines, by Private Mail.	4	3	2
Between the above by Contract Mail.	8	2	4

Any publication fulfilling the conditions hereafter named can pass as a newspaper.

The conditions are as follows:—

1st. The publication must consist wholly of great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertising matter.

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 31 days, and must be printed on a sheet or sheets unstitched.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unstitched; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs, illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

5th. The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bag or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office, is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz.: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp-pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the following countries, but to these alone: viz., the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verd Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, Wallachia, and the British Colonies. Indigo cannot be sent to any place abroad. A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verd Islands, France, Madeira, Portugal, or by French packet, to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not exceed 18 inches in length, width, or depth; a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width, nor one in depth.

A newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule is infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inscribed.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters—*except those to and through Australia*—from 11.10 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Miscellaneous Notices.

There will be communication with Australia via Batavia and Port Darwin, as follows:—

Leave Hongkong by French Packet, Sept. 15. Nov. 29.

Leave Batavia, Oct. 1. Dec. 13. Due at Port Darwin, Oct. 12. Dec. 24. 1878.

Leave Sydney, Oct. 31. Jan. 12.

Leave Melbourne, Nov. 6. Jan. 18.

Leave Adelaide, Nov. 12. Jan. 24.

For the present the correspondence it can only be paid to Batavia, from which place it may possibly be forwarded without further charge.

Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails should be delivered free there.

Article IX. of the Postal Treaty of Berne provides that "Neither the senders nor the addressees of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than that of the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching Office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The above does not apply in any loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.

Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Any Foreign stamp on loose correspondence are obliterated in this Office.

Indian Correspondence.

Unpaid Letters are not received for the Indian Mail Packets.

The Pre-payment of correspondence for the Straits, India, Ceylon, and Aden is compulsory by whatever opportunity it is forwarded.

4. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns or durable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the postage of no value.

5. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers—*to British Offices*, 6 lbs.; *to the Continent*, 4 lbs. *if with* *out* *intrinsic value*; *to the Continent*, 4 lbs. *if with* *out* *intrinsic value*.

6. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matchs, Candle, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

Postage.—The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as *Parcel Post*. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempt

to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS.—Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a *bona fide* sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with shewing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

Communication with Batavia.

The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from Europe.

The French Packets for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities:—

In the S.W. Monsoon.

The English Mail.

The French Mail.

In the N.E. Monsoon.

A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail.

The French Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-delivery, or mis-delivery of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers; and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times; that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag; and that, whenever the bag has in the course of its transmission to be transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon.

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorised to demand change; and when money is paid at a Post Office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded.

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West Indies, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

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The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Nevertheless, large sums of money or other articles of great value should not be sent through the post, even if the packet be registered; as the machinery of the Department is not arranged with a view to such transmission. By law, the Post Office is not responsible for the safe delivery of registered packets; though any officer who may neglect his duty on this point will be called to strict account. Sent in unregistered letters, valuable articles are exposed to risk, and offer a temptation which ought not to be created; and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters, therefore, which contain coin, and all inland letters which contain watches or jewellery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as registered, and charged on delivery with a double registration fee of eightpence in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the Mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch. Even if the letter do not contain any article of intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The French mail left Singapore for this port to-day.

Mr German S. S. Bellona has gone to Corvoon Dock.

Mr. Molakar left Singapore for this port yesterday, the 21st instant.

We understand that the latest private telegrams from London are of the most warlike nature.

The steamer *Ninjive* left Singapore for this port on the 29th of November, and as she is now twenty-three days out without anything having been heard of her, great fears are entertained of her safety. We trust that something may yet be heard of the vessel. Cap'tain Thomas, who was in command, has had a long experience in these waters.

Police Intelligence.
(Before the Hon. C. May.)

Dec. 22, 1877.

DRUNK.

Woo Akwong, a storekeeper, at Wanchi, was charged with being found drunk and incapable in the streets, and was fined 50 cents, or 1 day's imprisonment.

Allah, a watchman at West Point, was fined 50 cents for a similar offence; he was very disorderly, flourishing a stick about to the danger of persons in the road, near the British Hotel.

James Duncan, boatman of the British ship *May Queen*, was fined 50 cents, and to pay 10 cents chart-hire, for being found drunk on the Praya, near the Harbour Master's Office. Defendant said he was sorry for it, and was trying to get on board his ship when arrested.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Chun A I, a coolie, was fined 20 shillings, or 14 days' hard labour, for being found in possession of three pieces of iron bolts at the Patent Slip, West Point.

A GENTLE NURSE.

Ho Ayan, amah to Mr. Humphries' family, was charged with beating Mr. Humphries' child. As the complainant did not appear, defendant was discharged.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Before His Honour Mr. Justice SNOWDEN, 22nd December, 1877.

REGINA V. THE HARBOUR.

Regina v. You A Cheung.

The prisoner pleaded guilty to stealing a box containing clothing and other things, the property of a Chinese woman who was going to Singapore in the steamer *Japan*.

His Lordship said, he found that the prisoner was pardoned by His Excellency the Governor on the 1st December, for his services in nursing the sufferers by the Yesso explosion. On the 11th he was found in possession of the box which he admitted he stole, and previous to that he was in Gaol for six months for stealing a pillow box from the *Naomi*. He was one of that large class of men who went on board steamboats to steal when they could find a chance. He would have now to go to Gaol for three years. He was then sentenced to penal servitude for three years.

As the prisoner was leaving the dock, he muttered in Chinese that two years would have been sufficient, "why send me to three years?"

LARCENY FROM THE PERSON.

Regina v. Choy Aming.

The prisoner was indicted for stealing one handkerchief containing \$22 in notes and other things from the person of Alexio Dias, a Spanish seaman belonging to a Spanish steamer in the harbour, on the 2nd December.

Mr. Francis, instructed by Mr. Sharp, Crown Solicitor, again officiated for the Attorney General.

The following Jury was empanelled:—

Moors E. Oxley, J. P. De Costa, E. C. Chastel, R. H. Boyd, C. Vogel, R. F. Smith, and I. P. Madax.

The facts were briefly these. On the 2nd December the prosecutor was making purchases at a second-hand clothes stall at Lazarus Row, when he felt the handkerchief which contained \$22 snatched from him. He saw the man running away and gave pursuit. He kept the man in sight except for a moment or two when the corner of a street was turned. The man was afterwards stopped by a district watchman, and the prisoner was that man. His identity having been clearly established, the Jury returned a verdict of guilty.

The prisoner was then arraigned on his previous convictions, to which he pleaded guilty.

His Lordship sent the prisoner to four years' penal servitude. In passing sentence, his Lordship said the prisoner had been twice convicted this year, and one of these occasions was for pocket picking, and it would be useless to pass a short sentence on him.

In the case of the prisoner Chun Amul, who was found guilty of stealing a box at Singapore, he was brought up and discharged, as there was no law in existence which could make such an offence punishable in this Colony.

In the case of Chun Atai and two others, convicted of stealing a box of white shirting consigned to Messrs. Biley & Co., by the steamer *Fleur de Lys*, the prisoners were brought up for sentence.

Addressing the 3rd prisoner, the tally man, his Lordship said he was not going to sentence him, as although there was some evidence against him, his Lordship did not think it sufficient to prove his guilt. He would therefore have to go back to gaol now, but his Lordship would apply to the Government to pardon him if they thought fit.

The 1st prisoner, the wife of the owner of the boat who was not here, was sent to nine months' hard labour.

The 2nd prisoner, the sailing master, was sent to eighteen months' hard labour.

Chung Asee, who was convicted of stealing one bag containing \$188 in silver, was brought up for sentence. His Lordship said the thief was a very clever one, and it also showed that he was a practised thief by the way he substituted the bag of silver with a bag of cash. The prisoner was then sent to eighteen months' hard labour, this being his first offence.

Lee Chan Ying, who was convicted of having committed a common assault on Mr. Kernaghan, was brought up for sentence. His Lordship did not understand why he should have committed the assault, but the Jury did not find him guilty of assault for the purpose of robbing, otherwise he would have to be severely punished. As it was, he would be sent to three months' hard labour.

Chun Aloj, and Lai Ayan were brought up for sentence for having obtained money by false pretences by representing a piece of "tin-tong" root to be ginseng. The 1st prisoner had no previous conviction against him, so he was sent to six months' hard labour. The 2nd prisoner had two previous convictions, but they were not for serious offences. He was now sent to two years' hard labour.

The old man Ng Apoey, who was found guilty of obtaining money by the false pretence of representing three bangles to be of pure gold when the hollows were filled with copper wires, was brought up. His Lordship said he would not sentence him now, as there was a point of law reserved in his favour, as to whether the representation was merely a puffing or false pretence with intent to defraud.

Fan Acheung, who was convicted of stealing a quilt from the watchman at the *Kit Hing Lane*, was sent to two years' hard labour.

Wong Kum Tai, who was found guilty of stealing a coat, was brought up for sentence. There were two previous convictions against him, but one was only for want of security, and this his Lordship would not take much into consideration. But the other one was for larceny for which he was sent to two years' hard labour. This, however, occurred ten years ago and during all this time, the prisoner had been living an honest life. His Lordship said the prisoner would have the benefit of these ten years' honest life. He was therefore only sent to one year's hard labour.

Chun Afook, who was found guilty of child-stealing, was sent to three years' penal servitude.

The Sessions were then adjourned till Thursday next at 10 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Dec. 22, 1877.

SIR,—In your issue of last night, I observed a paragraph stating that only one Boat (Commodore Watson's Galley) came for the Fourth Race. Now, Mr. Editor, allow me to inform you that it was the well-known qualities of the Commodore's Galley that drove the *Fly's* whaler of the field but the fact of her having one of her bottom planks out and quietly lying on the Dockyard Slip. I believe it was intended that the Boat should be ready in time for the Regatta, but why she was not will remain a mystery to the whole of the Crew of the *Fly*.

I remain, Mr. Editor,

ONE OF THE CREW.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

TWENTY-SECOND MEETING.

Patron: His Excellency John Pope Hennessy, C.M.G. Vice-Patron: Commodore Watson, R.N. Stewards: H. B. Gibb, Esq.; W. H. Forbes, Esq.; H. H. Hopkins, Esq.; Hon. W. Keswick; Hon. Col. Bassano, C.B.; G. B. Emory, Esq. Committee: T. Jackson, Esq. (Chairman), Capt. Ducat, 28th Regt., H. E. Wodehouse, Esq.; Lt. R. S. H. Walker, 25th Regt.; E. L. Woodin, Esq.; W. Hynes, Esq.; A. P. McEwen, Esq.; C. V. Smith, Esq.; E. Beard, Esq.; H. M. Schultz, Esq.; D. Gillies, Esq.; Dudley C. Travers, Esq. (Hon. Secy.). Judge: J. P. McEuen, Esq., R.A. Umpires: Rowing, Hon. C. C. Smith; Yachts, E. Beard, Esq. Starvers: Rowing, Hon. C. C. Smith; Yachts, E. Beard, Esq.; Open Sailing Boats, E. Burnie, Esq. Sailors: Rowing, Hon. C. C. Smith; Yachts, E. Beard, Esq.; Open Sailing Boats, E. Burnie, Esq.

The weather to-day was far more enjoyable than yesterday, a bright sun doing much to lessen the chilliness of the air. There was a capital sailing breeze in the earlier part of the afternoon, but later on, there was an occasional calm. The attendance on board the Flagship was perhaps a little larger than yesterday, and towards the close of the proceedings, there was a little dancing to the strains of the Band of the 28th Regiment. His Excellency the Governor visited the Flagship for a short time, in the early part of the afternoon.

At the close Mrs. Jackson presented the prizes, and while doing so in a very pleasant manner accompanied each with appropriate congratulations to the winner. Captain Conner (28th) received no less than three cups, and Mrs. Jackson specially complimented him upon having taken the Hon. share of the good things; when the gallant Captain was greeted with three cheers, and one cheer more. Three cheers were then given for Mrs. Jackson; one for the Chairman (Mr. Jackson), one for the Secretary (Mr. Dudley C. Travers), and one for the ladies. So ended the Regatta Festivities of 1877.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 22, 1877.

FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.

For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Second Race on first day, and cut-rigged Boats excluded.

The 1st prisoner, the wife of the owner of the boat who was not here, was sent to nine months' hard labour.

The 2nd prisoner, the sailing master, was sent to eighteen months' hard labour.

Station No. 1.—Police, *The Beat*, Blue and White.

Station No. 2.—28th Regt. F. Company, *Lady of the Lake*, Blue.

Station No. 3.—Royal Artillery, *The Swan*, Blue with Red Star.

Station No. 4.—Royal Artillery, *Can do*, Red, White and Blue.

Station No. 5.—28th Regt. G. Company, *Shamrock*, Yellow.

Only two boats (*The Beat* and *Shamrock*) came out for the First Race, *Lady of the Lake*, as winner of Second Race yesterday, being excluded. The *Shamrock* made a very bad start owing to one of her oars getting out of the rowlock, and *The Beat* then got away with a lead of three quarters of a length. The *Shamrock*'s crew put on a spurt and overtook their adversary before they had got any considerable distance on the course, and *The Beat* found they had all their work out to keep the lead. Nearing the Coal-sheds the boats appeared to be running abreast, and the race was evidently a tight one. The Police were encouraged to greater exertion by some of their followers and both crews took the hint and let out in very good style. *The Beat*'s crew adopting a much faster stroke than that the *Shamrock* won a very pretty race by about half a length.

The Beat, 1
The Shamrock, 2
Time, 8 min. 23 sec.

Victor Emanuel's cutter, 1
Tamar, 2
Time, 9 min. 14 sec.

FIFTH RACE.—3 P.M.

Senior Sculls. Cup presented by the Parasce Community. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$5. Winner of the "Ladies' Purse" excluded.

Station No. 1.—Mr. G. P. Rickard's *Lady Godiva*, Blue Pennant with White Maltese Cross.

Station No. 1.—Mr. J. S. Edgar's *Beaconsfield*, Red and White.

Station No. 2.—Mr. H. M. Schultz's *Lady Gladightly*, Dark and Light-blue.

This race was started before the Cutter race, as the competitors for the latter were not ready in time. Schultz as winner of the Ladies' Purse was excluded, and the race thus rested between Rickard and Edgar.

The wind had by this time died away, and the little lop of a sea, which so disconcerts the contestants in sculling matches and proved fatal yesterday, was conspicuous by its absence, the water being nearly as smooth as a mill pond. A very pretty race was the result of all these favourable circumstances. Both got away well together, but Edgar soon distanced his rival, and took the lead by about a length. He then, whether intentionally or not we cannot say, crossed his adversary's bow and took up his position outside, and the deviation he thus made from a straight course gave Rickard a chance to regain lost ground. Rickard made a very straight course throughout the race, but Edgar wrote his name all over the course, and was not pulling nearly so well as at the commencement. Nearing the Sheds both boats were well in line, when Edgar following up the policy he appeared to have adopted from the first, made another tack, and continued to increase their advantage, winning easily by 7 or 8 boats' lengths. The winner made much better time than the Europeans, the water having become much smoother.

Commissariat, 1
The Beat, 2
Time, 8 min. 6 sec.

THIRD RACE.—2 P.M.

"Members' Cup"—presented by Members of "The Victoria Recreation Club" for Four-Oared Canton Cutters. Distance One Mile and a half. Entrance \$10. Winner of "The Chairman's Cup" excluded.

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Station No. 1.—*Magenta* and *Black*.

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No. 3, Mr. A. K. Travers, 12st. 7lb.

Stroke, Mr. E. L. Woodin, 12st. 6lb.

Cox, Mr. E. Ty, 8st. 6lb.

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Bow, Mr. A. Barry, 9st. 12lb.

No. 2, Mr. H. Hart, 10st. 8lb.

No. 3, Mr. T. W. Ginger, 11st. 9lb.

No. 4, Mr. C. V. Smith, 11st. 6lb.

Stroke, Mr. J. E. Goddrich, 10st. 12lb.

Cox, Mr. L. Browning, 8st. 0lb.

THISTLE

Station No. 3.—*Red and White*.

Bow, Mr. M. Saunders, R.A., 10st. 4lb.

No. 2, Mr. D. C. Travers, 11st. 1lb.

No. 3, Mr. C. V. Smith, 11st. 6lb.

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Cox, Mr. A. J. Lewis, 8st. 0lb.

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Omnibus.

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No. 2, Mr. W. T. Anson, H.M.S.

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